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ABSTRACT

The datapipe routing bridge is composed of three building blocks, transmitter, bridge and receiver. The bridge component provides high levels of connectivity between multiple digital signal processors without paying the penalties usually associated with inter-processor connections. The individual digital signal processors are connected with unidirectional point-to-point links from a bridge terminal on one digital signal processor to a bridge terminal on another digital signal processor. A real-time comparison of the packet header information with direction identification codes (IDs) stored inside the bridge routes individual data transfer packets arriving at the bridge into the local processor, repeated out to the next processor or simultaneously absorbed and repeated.